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RULE §1.53(b)**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title): PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND METHOD, REFLECTIVE/REFRACTIVE
OPTICAL SYSTEM, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A DEVICE

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- ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-19; 19 sheets) are attached.
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.
☒ An assignment of the invention to NIKON CORPORATION is filed herewith.
☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.
☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
☐ A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.
☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____.
☒ Priority of foreign applications No. 2000-058268 filed March 3, 2000 in JAPAN and No. 2000-242096 filed August 10, 2000 in JAPAN are claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).
☐ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application(s) is filed herewith.
☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

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ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT NOTED ABOVE**

| FOR: | NO. FILED | NO. EXTRA |
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| BASIC FEE | | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 65 - 20 | = 45 |
| INDEP CLAIMS | 8 - 3 | = 5 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED | | |

* If the difference is less than zero, enter "0".

SMALL ENTITY

| RATE | FEE |
|---------|--------|
| | \$ 355 |
| x 9 = | \$ |
| x 40 = | \$ |
| + 135 = | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ |

**OTHER THAN A
SMALL ENTITY**

| RATE | FEE |
|-------|---------|
| | \$ 710 |
| x 18 | \$ 810 |
| x 80 | \$ 400 |
| + 270 | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ 1920 |

- ☒ Check No. 115732 in the amount of \$1920.00 to cover the filing fee is attached. Except as otherwise noted herein, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

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